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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have started our implementation of publishing Timber Talk both electronically, to those who have emailing capabilities and wish to receive the publication electronically, and by hard copy to those who either do not have email capacity or who have expressed a wish to receive the hard copy. The September bulletin was mailed to approximately half the members and was transmitted electronically also to approximately half of the members. If you received the bulletin by ordinary mail and wish to receive it electronically please send your email address to me at wood5cents@shaw.ca. Any one who received the bulletin electronically will receive their free woods annually. Starting in 2009 we will mail all free wood annually unless we receive specific requests to do otherwise. We will also attempt to distribute as many woods personally at regional meetings as well as at the convention as possible to reduce potential damage in the mail.

As soon as we are mailing Timber Talk to as many members as possible we will embark on phase two which is to start mailing any of the US hard copy issues still remaining directly from the US.

I would like to thank Ross, Norm and Tony for all their effort in getting the September bulletin into production and into the mail. I would also like to thank all three of them for their continued efforts on current bulletins.

It is time to start thinking of Christmas issues, If you are thinking of issuing a Christmas wood please give your manufacturer time to prepare your wood for you. It is also time to think about renewing your various club memberships including CAWMC.

It is time to for fall coin shows and antique shows to start. Please remember to further any information on new discoveries to Tony for publishing in Timber Talk.

Good luck in your collecting activities.

Editor's Comments:

Despite the technical incompetence of your new editor, Norm Belsten worked quite hard to pull a save! And get September Timber Talk out before the Penn-Ohio Wooden Money Collectors show and bourse on September 19th. I believe Ross got the snailmail copies off on the morning of September 17th. I heartily apologize for our delay in informing you who graciously donated the free September wood that accompanied the snailmailed copies, but see below. We may be slow, but we struggle to get it right eventually!

For those on the email list I hope you enjoy the colour in the October issue. While this is a change, we sincerely hope that you will find it change for the better.

We will be launching what we hope will become a regular feature: "Collector Profiles." This represents our deeply held conviction that people matter, while things do not. Some of those to be profiled are Dora dePedery-Hunt, George V Fraser and Lou and Yvonne Vesh, & John Brennan, an Ottawa collector who passed away in 2000 profiled. We hope you will enjoy the monthly profiles.

Our most enthusiastic contributor to this issue is a name most collectors will recognize.

John Regitko, FRCNA is a CNA past-president, who has served the hobby as Executive Secretary to the CNA, founding editor of the CNA e-bulletin, and current producer of the eh-bulletin. All that time he has collected woods, been a regular Tim Hortons drinker and loyal customer. I know of no Canadian collector more plugged in to the people that make this hobby so enjoyable. I hope you will share my view that he is a most valuable contributor to the new Timber Talk. We also have lots of colour images of woods. We hope that you enjoy them. Let us know what you think!

On September 16th, I learned that the past practice has been to mail Timber Talk to members on the first of each month. While this certainly sets a demanding pace, we will try to work to that.

Thanks to all the members who made polite comments about September Timber Talk.

I invite all members to submit articles, especially about collectors who have contributed to the growth of our hobby.

Enjoy your trick or treating!

Tony

PAST PRESIDENTS:**Garry Braunwarth: 1975 - 1977****Victor Hall: 1977 - 1979 *****Don Robb: 1979 - 1981****Stanley Clute: 1981 - 1983****Neil Probert: 1983 - 1985****Norm Belsten: 1985 - 1991****Pat White: 1991 - 1995 *****Lou Vesh: 1995 - 2001****Earl Salterio: 2001 - 2003 *****Norm Belsten: 2003 - 2005****(* Deceased)****FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH FOR SEPTEMBER***Laissez Le Bon Temps Rouler*

C.A.W.M.C. member France D. Waychison of Timmins, Ontario kindly donated 100 woods to include in our September mailing for snail mail subscribers to Timber Talk. France's wood features the fleur de Lys on the obverse with her name and the Cajun good times motto (en Français): *Laissez Le Bon Temps Rouler* inscribed around the border. Cajun is an Americanization of the French term "Acadien" used to describe the dispersed francophones of the *grand derangement* of 1755, when Governor Charles Lawrence expelled the Acadians from Nova Scotia because he perceived them as unwilling to swear allegiance to the British King. Experiencing great hardship, the Acadians (*les acadiens*) migrated mostly south to the 13 colonies, but some continued to the remnant of Nouvelle France in North America, which was Louisiana. The indomitable spirit of les Acadiens remains a point of pride for francophone Canadians to this day, and in this motto, mademoiselle Waychison affirms her own joie de vivre and pride in her francophone roots (*les racines acadiennes*.) The literal translation of *Laissez le bon temps rouler* means: "Let the good times roll." Norm Belsten struck the obverse of the woods in *vert metallique*, while he struck the CNA reverse in green ink.



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Of Wooden Money Collectors are:

Canadian Residents: \$10.00 Canadian Funds

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And the U.S.): \$20.00 Canadian Funds

Youth (16 years of age and under): \$5.00

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FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER

This month's free wood was shown last month in the article by Al MUNRO, who was able to acquire enough of the small woods to distribute in T. T. The woods are brown both sides



HALLOWEEN WOODS

These woods was produced by Lou Vesh and handed out to the children that came to his house on Halloween. The first design was used several different years, each with a different reverse.



Common
Obverse



5944-011



5944-015



5944-023



5944-029



5944-038

A new obverse design was used for 1995 and another for 1996 & 1997, note no woods for 1993 or 1994.



5944-066



5944-076



5944-088



No woods issued for 1998 or 1999, and a new design for 2000, this design was used unpainted in 2000 & 2002 and painted in 2001 & 2004.



Obverse
2000-2002



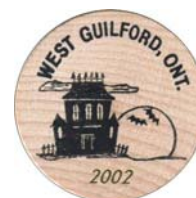
Obverse
2001-2004



5944-106



5944-110



5944-112



5944-119

Other Halloween woods were issued by Canada Wide Woods and handed out in Gadshill Ontario.



5296-008



5296-014



5294-025



The following woods were made by Larry Walker and Bill Cousins and handed out in Stratford, Ontario



5876-166



5876-167



5876-168



5876-187



5876-188



5876-205



5876-206



5876-217



5876-218



The 2007 woods are 45mm diameter and 4mm thick wood all-previous shown woods were 38mm diameter and 3mm thick.



5876-246



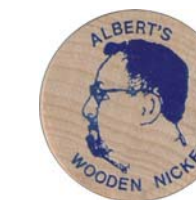
5876-247



Other Halloween woods issued by others are shown below.



5490-044



5900-336



The 5490 wood is 45mm and 3mm thick while the 5900-336 wood is 38mm and 3mm thick. As far as I know these are all the Halloween woods issued to date.

THE WOODS OF THE 2006 CNA CONVENTION

by John Regitko, CAWMC Member #265

When I was appointed chairman of the 2006 CNA Convention, which was held at the Sheraton Fallsview Hotel in Niagara Falls, Ontario, I considered the various promotional ideas available to me at an affordable price. I just didn't want to mail the usual press releases to the numismatic press (Canadian Coin News, Coin World, Numismatic News, World Coin News, World Paper Money News, etc.), local and regional numismatic associations across Canada and the northern U.S. and the CNA Website. I looked at some different approaches than had been used in the past. One of the things I decided to do was to target the publishers of major numismatic publications, editors of numismatic publications throughout Canada (local coin clubs, provincial associations and national specialty collector groups) and presidents of the same clubs and associations. To keep details of the CNA Convention in front of all these dignitaries throughout the year prior to the convention, I decided on a regular mailing of greeting card-size "invitation" that would contain numismatic collectibles that, I thought, would prevent recipients from simply throwing it in the wastebasket. It is not my intention to display all of the cards in this article, but rather deal with those that included wooden nickels. Those not covered here include a calendar (with the dates of the convention highlighted), refrigerator magnet, video arcade tokens and a discontinued parking token from Niagara Falls, and promotional pens. They also received the program of events, registration kit contents and more.



The original artwork for the wooden nickels, letterhead, labels, business cards, etc. was created by Paul Petch, who also thought of the catchy teaser: It's not to be "mist." Note that the Falls were not used for the official Convention medal until the following year, when the CNA Convention was again scheduled for the same location in Niagara Falls.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE CANADIAN NUMISMATIC EVENT OF 2006



JULY 20 TO 23
Details to follow!

IN TOTAL, THE LARGEST C.N.A. CONVENTION...EVER!

WE PROMISE YOU:

- The largest bourse of the past 25 C.N.A. Conventions
- The second-largest bourse of any C.N.A. Convention in its 55-year history!
- More draw prizes than at any previous C.N.A. Convention!
- More give-aways at meetings than at any previous C.N.A. Convention!
- More activities than at any previous C.N.A. Convention!
- More spousal activities than at any previous C.N.A. Convention!
- More young numismatist activities than at any previous C.N.A. Convention!
- The largest foyer filled chock-full of activities than at any previous C.N.A. Convention!
- The most numismatic content of any previous Main registration kit in Canada!
- The most numismatic content of any previous Young Numismatist registration kit in C.N.A. history!
- The most content of any previous Spousal registration kit in C.N.A. history!
- More numismatic give-aways to pre-registered clubs at the Club Delegates Breakfast meeting than at any previous C.N.A. Convention!
- As many spousal activities as at any previous C.N.A. Convention

WILL YOU BE PART OF IT?

We hope that you will be attending the
2006 C.N.A. CONVENTION
at the
**SHERATON FALLSVIEW HOTEL
& CONVENTION CENTRE**
6755 Fallsview Blvd.
NIAGARA FALLS, CANADA



Numismatic
souvenir
from the
2006
C.N.A.
Convention

Details will be published in the C.N.A. Journal, C.N.A. E-Bulletin, C.N.A. Website, supportive local coin club bulletins, major numismatic publications, etc. As well, special mailers will be sent to you directly from time-to-time.

The first release featured the Falls on the front (above, left), statements about the upcoming convention on the inside left flap (above, middle) and an actual promotional wood on the inside right (above, left)



The first promotional wooden token featured the Falls and the basic information about the Convention. Both sides were printed in blue on 45mm (1-3/4") blanks.

A quantity of 300 were struck by Norm Belsten. One hundred were distributed through Timber Talk, 150 were allocated to the Convention's main registration kit and 50 for the special "dignitaries" promotional mailings.

The second promotional wooden token was, again, distributed to the "dignitaries" distribution list. The left side of the inside listed some of the many tourist attractions in the Niagara Area (below, center) to entice people to come before the start of the convention or stay longer, and possibly bring their family along. The right inside panel (below, right) included a "Good for a Cup of Coffee" wood that attendees could use at the Sheraton Fallsview Hotel's restaurant, pub or cafeteria. No expense was budgeted in the Convention's financial statement for their redemption on the assumption that people would prefer to keep it as a collectible on one hand, and that enterprising members of CAWMC that attended the Convention would try to make a deal with the cashiers and waitresses to buy them at the cost of the cup of coffee (as a number of CAWMC members did when I handed out a similar wood at TICF Shows some years earlier when I also didn't get a single piece back from the hotel).

THE CANADIAN NUMISMATIC EVENT OF 2006



JULY 20 TO 23

SHERATON FALLSVIEW HOTEL
& CONVENTION CENTRE
6755 Fallsview Blvd.
NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO

There are lots of things to do in Canada's #1
Tourist location when you attend the

2006 C.N.A. CONVENTION NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO

- The world's most famous waterfalls
- Two large casinos with thousands of card tables and slot machines to enjoy sensibly
- A thrilling cable car ride over Niagara River's raging whirlpool gorge in a Spanish Aero Car
- View the mighty Falls from the Maid of the Mist boat, from behind and beside the Falls or by helicopter
- Double deck bus tours through historic Niagara
- Sir Adam Beck hydro generating station tour
- Queenston Heights, where Canadian and American soldiers fought the decisive War of 1812
- Thrilling views from atop revolving lookout towers or your Sheraton Fallsview room
- Tours of world-renowned wineries and wine tasting
- Ontario Hydro's Floral Clock tourist attraction
- Video arcades for the young-at-heart of all ages
- Walking tours through quaint Niagara-on-the-Lake, one of Ontario's prettiest small towns
- Botanical gardens, butterfly museum, House of Wax, Ripley's Believe it or Not, haunted houses, Imax Theatre, souvenir shops and much more
- Great restaurants, golf courses, entertainment
- Plenty of numismatic activities on July 20-23, 2006

Convention details to follow!

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT?

- Canada's largest bourse
- Competitive & non-competitive exhibits
- Great registration kits for collectors, spouses and juniors
- Exhibit and other major numismatic awards presentations
- Banquet with great food, keynote speaker, draws
- Hospitality Suite for registered collectors and dealers
- Meetings of specialty numismatic collector groups
- Special breakfast gatherings for registered spouses
- Huge numismatic auction by Diversified Equities of Calgary, AB
- Coin Kids program, coin hunt and auction (free auction dollars)
- Registrants & dealer reception hosted by Royal Canadian Mint
- C.N.A. annual general membership meeting
- Club delegates meeting with keynote speaker, draws
- C.N.A. Educational program with topnotch speakers
- Canadian coin grading and preservation/storage seminar
- Free catalogue, hourly draw ticket and more with admission
- Special "In Attendance" draws and give-aways at all meetings



A numismatic
souvenir from
2006 C.N.A.
Convention.



The second promotional wooden token was good for a cup of coffee anytime during the Convention. Both sides were printed in blue on 45mm (1-3/4") blanks.

A quantity of 300 were struck by Norm Belsten. One hundred were distributed through Timber Talk, 50 for the "dignitaries" promotional mailings, and 150 were allocated to the Convention's main registration kit, but I was short some for the oversubscribed registration kits.

The third promotional wooden token was, again, mailed to the “dignitaries” distribution list. It was included in a pamphlet that showed the program of events and hotel bedroom reservation information. This pamphlet is not reproduced here to conserve space and to avoid repetition, since the invitation card was similar in appearance to the two already displayed in this article.



The third promotional wooden token, called the “Chairman’s Wood,” featured the Falls on the obverse and contact information for the show on the reverse. Both sides were printed in blue on 45mm (1-3/4”) blanks.

A quantity of 300 were struck by Norm Belsten. One hundred were distributed through Timber Talk, 150 in the Convention’s main registration kit and 50 for the special “dignitaries” promotional mailings.

Because the distribution through the “dignitaries” mailing list was not quite up to the 50 originally allocated and because we expected only 125 main registration kits, I handed out some of each of the three woods at local coin club meetings that I attended in Toronto, Oshawa, Waterloo, North York, Stratford and Mississauga-Etobicoke. It would appear that I handed out a few too many of the “Good for a Cup of Coffee” woods, because when it came time to collating additional registration kits, we were short a quantity. I contacted Norm Belsten to have him strike more. However, he could not obtain the 45mm blanks at that time that were of sufficient quality and suggested that he could strike them on the normal 38mm (1.5 inch) blanks. I always thought the larger woods were more appealing and decided to approach Canada Wide Woods to see what they could do. They advised me that they had not made a die of the “official” convention promotion design. As well, the “coffee” design would be different.



The “Good for One Cup of Coffee” die used by Canada Wide Woods.

I forwarded a high-resolution digital image of the convention promotion logo to Canada Wide Woods which they used to strike 100 copies with their “coffee” die. They were inserted in the registration kits that did not contain the original Norm Belsten “coffee” wood. Each of the registration kits contained exactly the same items...except for the variety in the “coffee” woods (any admission tickets and silver medals ordered by registrants were placed in separate envelopes). Therefore, there is no record of who received the original “coffee” wood as manufactured by Norm Belsten, and who received the Canada Wide Woods version. Because the second “coffee” wood was not distributed to CAWMC members through Timber Talk and because of the lower quantity made, this wood is much scarcer than the other three produced for the 2006 CNA Convention.



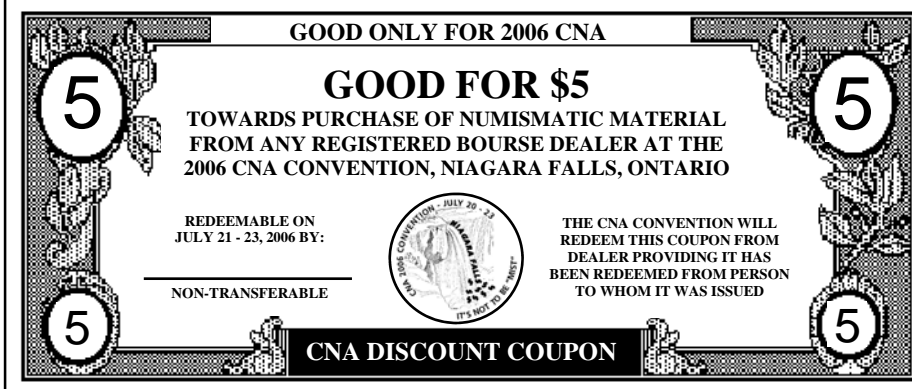
The “Good for One Cup of Coffee” wood made by Canada Wide Woods featured the usual obverse, with the standard “coffee” design on the reverse. Both sides were printed in red on 45mm (1-3/4”) blanks.

A quantity of 100 were struck by Canada Wide Woods for inclusion in some of the main registration kits when the Norm Belsten issue ran out due to the additional registration kits being collated.



One of the tickets from the 2006 CNA Convention that might be of interest to CAWMC members is the admission ticket to the CAWMC Breakfast meeting, which included an all-you-can-eat buffet breakfast.

The admission ticket numbered #001 resides in my collection, one of the perks of being chairman of the convention Chairman and having designed the admission tickets for all functions.



Five Dollar coupons (illustrated at left) as well as \$25 coupons were given to Ontario coin clubs for their door draws when they allowed me to address the meeting to promote the convention. Similar \$5 coupons were also created for inclusion in each young numismatist registration kit. Twenty-five dollar bourse coupons were awarded if the

registrant's name drawn at an educational meeting was present. They were redeemed by the Convention treasurer from the dealers.

One dollar bourse coupons were handed out at some club meetings. As well, one was included with each registration kit. These were not redeemed from the dealers by the convention. Because of their low value and because most registrants collect convention-related "good for" coupons, very few were spent.

WE
SALUTE
50 YEARS OF
CN JOURNALS
1955 - 2005



This illustration shows an "official" 2006 CNA Convention wood that was never issued. It would have celebrated the just-concluded 50th anniversary of the issuing of the CN Journals by the Canadian Numismatic Association. I intended to have a quantity struck for inclusion in the 2006 registration kits and handed out at the banquet. However, when I reviewed the cost of the woods that I had already committed to, I decided not to follow through with it.